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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request an extension of time to respond to the official action mailed for the above referenced patent application on May 7, 2002. A grant of this request will reset the due date from August 7, 2002 until November 7, 2002. Applicants enclose

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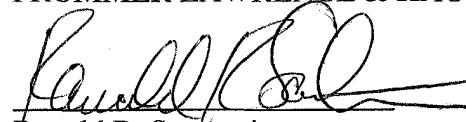
herewith a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Request Transmittal for the above application.

Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$837 which includes the fee for the CPA application (and additional claims) for a small entity and the surcharge for the extension of time. As Applicants previously requested a two month extension of time to respond to the official action of May 7, 2002, the charge for this extension is \$260 which is the cost of a three month extension for a small entity (\$460) minus the cost for a two month extension (\$200) which was already paid.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,
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